Telephone and post Office Facilities to Gram Panchayats in U.P.

6901. DR. LAL BAHADUR RAWAL: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Gram Panchayats of Aligarh and Bijnaur districts of Uttar Pradesh where the facilities of Post Offices and telephones have been provided; and (b) the number of Gram Panchayats to which such facilities are proposed to be provided in the said districts during the Eighth Five Year Plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) The number of Gram Panchayats in Aligarh and Bijnor districts of Uttar Pradesh where facilities of post offices and telephones have been provided is as under:-

District	Gram Panchayat having facility of	
	Post Offices	Telephone
Aligarh	409	61
Bijnaur	208	26

(b) It has been recently decided that the Eighth five Year Plan will commence from 1.4.1992. The targets for opening of post offices during the newly determined Eighth Five Year Plan not yet been finalised. For 1991-92 it is proposed to open 10 and12 extra departmental branch post offices in Aligarh and Bijnor districts respectively subject to justification.

It is planned to provide telephone facilities at 1437 and 1101 gram Panchayats of Aligarh and Bijnaur districts respectively during Eighth Five Year Plan.

[English]

Exploration of Minerals in Andhra Pradesh

- 6902. SHRI GANGADHARA SANIPALLI: Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Geological Survey of India has conducted any survey for locating mineral deposits in Andhra Pradesh:

- (b) if so, the outcome thereof;
- (c) the quantity and value of minerals excavated during last three years, year-wise;
- (d) the proposed plan for excavation during 1991-92, mineral-wise;
- (e) whether any assistance from international agencies have also been sought/ availed for exploitations of minerals in this State; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and progress made so far in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF MINES (SHRI BALRAM SINGH YADAV): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A a result of investigations by the Geological Survey of India (GSI) and other agencies, following resources of different major minerals (recoverable reserves in million tonnes, MT, as on 1.1.85) have been estimated in various districts of Andhra Pradesh:-